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MINUTES

of the

Forty-fifth Annual Session

of the

Little Kehukee Primitive Baptist ASSOCIATION

held with the

Church at Leggett Chapel

Edgecombe County, N. C.

Commencing Saturday before the third Sunday in October, 1940, and continuing three days. October 19, 20, 21.

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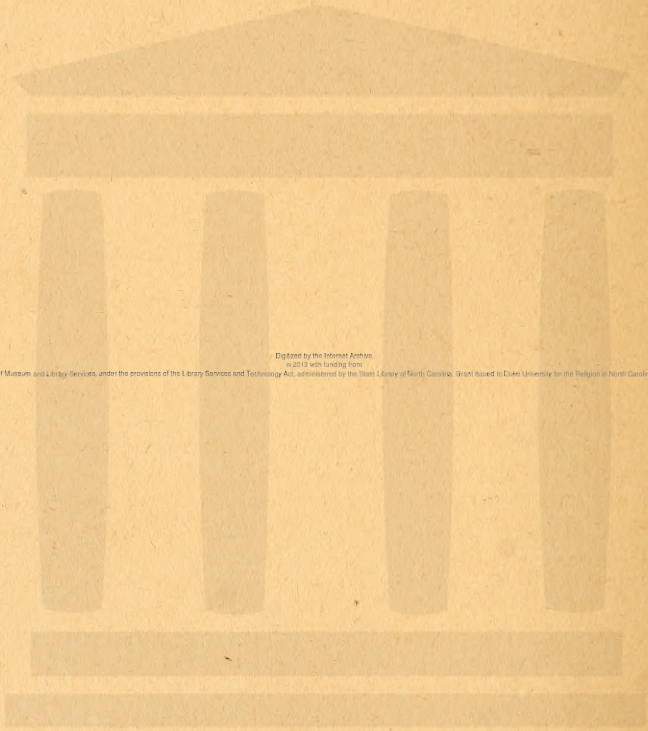

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Proceedings

October 19, 1940

The Forty-Fifth Annual Session of the Little Kehukee Primitive Baptist Association convened with the church at Leggett Chapel October 19, 20, 21.

The introductory sermon was preached by Elder A. Hyman. He opened service by singing hymn 380, and offered prayer. He used for his text these words: I am the way, saith the Lord.

Elder James Dickens continued service by singing hymn 149. He preached without using any particular text. Words of welcome by Elder K. W. Jones.

The Moderator arose, sang hymn 374 and with a benediction dismissed the people one hour for recess.

Saturday Evening Conference.

Elder Wm. Thompson opened conference by singing hymn No. 141, and offered prayer.

Moved that Elder A. Hyman continue Moderator of this Association.

Moved all visiting brethren be invited to seats, take a part with us, feeling themselves at home.

Moved we appoint a finance committee, on which we chose the following: Telfaire Joyner, T. W. Haywood and Henry Harris.

On motion, we appointed a committee on preaching, viz: Mack Dickens, Sam Carney, Edward R. Knight.

Moved to send Elder J. A. Armstrong, Elder Jno. T. Alson to the stand to preach for the people. Bro. Norfleet Kearny to record the preacher's text.

Move to call for correspondence messengers.

The messenger from Turner Swamp, Elder M. Cooper, came forward with a file of minutes, also Elder Wm. Thompson of the Durham Association with a file of minutes. They were heartily received. The Moderator and Clerk extending the right hand of fellowship.

Moved to call the roll of churches:

Churches	Messengers	Contribution
Bryant Chapel	D. Bellamy, K. W. Jones	$10.00
Long Branch	Ed. R. Knight. T. W. Haywood	10.00
Logsboro	Sylva Dunn, Mack Dickens	10.00
Leggett Chapel	P. H. Thorpe, Norfleet Kearny	12.00
Pleasant Grove	Telfaire Joyner, Carrie Battle	10.00
Thorne's Hill	J. R. Parker, T. Joyner	12.00
Hill's Chapel	A. Hyman	.50
Little Tarboro	Colonius Cotten	7.00
Mount Ararat	Sam Carney, H. Harris	12.00

On motion the report of messengers be received.

Moved we call for petitionary letters. No new church came forward. Moved a petition be put in for the next session of this Association.

A messenger from Little Tarboro asked for the Association, whose request was granted. So we resolved that our next session be held with Little Tarboro Church, Tarboro, N. C.

Elder Jas. Dickens was appointed to preach the introductory sermon. Elder K. W. Jones, alternate.

The committee on preaching resolved to wit:

Sunday, A. M.—Elder Marshall Cooper, Elder Thos. Bess.

Sunday, P. M.—Wm. Thompson, Elder A. L. Cooper.

Monday, A. M.—Elder Joe Lewis, Elder A. L. Cooper. The Moderator to close.

Worship to commence at 10 o'clock a. m.

Moved that conference adjourn till Monday morning, 9:30.

The Moderator sang hymn 505, with benediction dismissed the conference.

Order of Preaching.

Saturday Morning, October 19.

Elder A. Hyman preached the introductory sermon, using for a text the words of Jesus: I am the way. Elder James Dickens followed and preached without using any particular text. The Moderator sang hymn 374 and with a benediction dismissed the people one hour for recess.

Saturday Evening Service.

Elder J. A. Armstrong opened service by singing hymn 3 and prayer. Text Revelation 21:1.

Elder John T. Alston sang hymn 421 and preached from Revelation 19:13. The Moderator closed with praise and benediction.

Sunday Morning, October 20.

Elder Marshal Cooper opened service by singing hymn No. 372 and offered prayer. He preached from the second chapter Psalms of David.

Elder Thomas Bess continued service by singing hymn 288. He preached from Zechariah 13:13.

Elder Abram Hill arose, sang hymn 3 and proceeded to preach, without any particular text. The Moderator sang hymn 284 and dismissed the people one hour for dinner. Collection $10.75.

Sunday Evening Service.

Elder Wm. Thompson opened service by singing hymn 356 and offered prayer. His text, Jeremiah 1:5.

Elder A. L. Cooper continued service by singing hymn 52. He used as a text these words found in John: That which we have seen and heard declare we unto you that you also may have fellowship with us.

With brief remarks the Moderator closed the evening service, sang hymn 615 and with a benediction dismissed the congregation. Collection $1.94.

Monday Morning Service.

Elder Joe Louis opened by prayer and praise, and proceeded to preach. Failed to get his text.

Elder A. L. Cooper continued service. He preached from the book of Ruth.

The Moderator after returning thanks to God for His blessing, and also thanking the people of this community for their kindness and hospitality in caring for this Association, sang hymn 629 and with a benediction dismissed the people.

Monday Morning Conference.

Conference was opened by Elder Thos. Bess using hymn 4 and offered prayer. Elder A. Hyman presiding as Moderator of the conference.

Moved the roll of churches be called; all present.

Moved the Clerk read the proceedings of Saturday's Conference. Agreed the minutes be received.

On motion, the Circular for 1940 was tabled to be prepared later.

Moved the finance committee make their report. Their report was as follows,

Taken up at the table	$83.50
General collection	12.75
	$96.25

Moved the report of the finance committee be received.

On motion our correspondence messengers chose as follows to visit them in their 1941 Association:

Both Durham and Turner Swamp Associations chose Elder A. Hyman and Elder James Dickens to visit their Association in 1941.

Agreed that Elder K. W. Jones write the Circular Letter for 1941.

Moved we allow twenty dollars for printing the minutes and ten dollars be given the Clerk for his services.

Moved conference adjourn. Dismissal hymn 505 and benediction.

Elder A. Hyman, Moderator.
P. H. Thorpe, Clerk.
K. W. Jones, Asst. Clerk.

Disbursements.

For printing minutes	$20.00
Clerk's fees	10.00
Elder A. Hyman	8.00
Elder James Dickens	6.00
Elder K. W. Jones	4.00
Elder Joe Louis	3.00

Elder M. Cooper	7.00
Elder Thomas Bess	5.00
Elder Abram Hill	3.50
Elder J. A. Armstrong	3.00
Elder Jno. T. Alston, gives his to the church.	
Elder Wm. Thompson	6.00
Elder A. L. Cooper	6.00
For hauling lumber	4.00
Other labor	1.50
Finance committee	6.00
Other expenses	3.25
Total	$96.25

Circular Letter.

Dear Brethren of the Little Kehukee Association:

In response to your request, and the honor conferred, I now make the feeble attempt to write the Circular Letter for the minutes of the 1940 session.

First of all I exhort my brethren to sincerity in faith and truth and love, holding fast to the doctrine of redemption and salvation which came by the resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ from the dead. Who being the church's head, who was and is and is to come, our most exalted and merciful High Priest, unto whom let us draw nigh with a true heart in full assurance of faith, having our hearts sprinkled from an even conscience and our bodies washed in pure water. Let us hold fast to the profession of our faith without wavering. For He that promised is faithful. (Bible.)

My heart's desire and prayer to God is that Israel may be saved, so while we are parted and scattered abroad, let us pray for each other and trust in the Lord.

Amen.

Your brother in Christ,

K. W. JONES.

Sunday of Meeting.

Bryant Chapel—Second Sunday and Saturday before. Quarterly meeting February, May, August and November.

Baptised 0, received by letter 0, dismissed by letter 0, excluded 0, lost by death 0, number in fellowship 12.

Longs Branch—Third Sunday and Saturday before. Quarterly meeting February, May, August and November. Baptised 0, received by letter 0, dismissed by letter 0, excluded 0, lost by death 1, number in fellowship 10.

Logsboro—Fourth Sunday and Saturday before. Quarterly meeting February, May, August and November. Baptised 1, received by letter 0, dismissed by letter 0, excluded 1, lost by death 0, number in fellowship 12.

Leggett Chapel—First Sunday and Saturday before. Quarterly meeting February, May, August and November. Baptised 0, received by letter 0, dismissed by letter 0, excluded 0, lost by death 1, number in fellowship 18.

Pleasant Grove—Fourth Sunday and Saturday before. Quarterly meeting March, June, September and December. Baptised 1, received by letter 0, dismissed by letter 0, excluded 0, lost by death 2, number in fellowship 20.

Thornes Hill—Third Sunday and Saturday before. Quarterly meeting March, June, September and December. Baptised 0, received by letter 0, excluded 0, lost by death 1, number in fellowship 20.

Hill's Chapel--Third Sunday and Saturday before. Quarterly meeting March, June, September and December. Baptised 0, received by lettr 0, dismissed by letter 1, excluded 0, lost by death 1, number in fellowship __.

Little Tarboro--Second Sunday and Saturday before. Quarterly meeting March, June, September and December. Baptised 0, received by letter 0, dismissed by letter 0, excluded 0, lost by death 1, number in fellowship 13.

Mt. Ararat—First Sunday and Saturday before. Quarterly meeting March, June, September and December. Baptised 2, received by letter 0, dismissed by letter 0, excluded 0, lost by death 0, restored 1, number in fellowship 31.

Ordained Ministers and Their Post Offices.

Elder Annanias Hyman, Tarboro, N. C.
Elder James Dickens, Conetoe, N. C.
Elder K. W. Jones, Speed, N. C.
Elder Joe Lewis, Whitakers, N. C.

We, the Messengers of the several Churches composing the Little Kehukee Primitive Baptist Association, agree for the satisfaction of our brethren and friends, to publish an abstract of the principles of faith upon which we unite and will endeavor with the help of the Lord to maintain.

1. We believe in the being of God Almighty, Eternal, unchangeable, of infinite wisdom, power, justice, holiness, goodness, mercy and truth, and that this God has revealed Himself in His word under the character of Father, Son and Holy Ghost.

2. We believe that Almighty God has made known His mind and will to the children ot men in His word, which word we believe to be divine authority and contain all things necessary to be known for the salvation of men the same is comprehended or contained in the books of the Old and New Testaments.

3. We believe that God before the foundation of the world for the purpose of His own glory did elect a certain number of men and angels to eternal life, and that this election is particular eternal and unconditional on the creatures part.

4. We believe that when God made man he was good and upright, but by his own transgression he fell from the good and upright state and being the head and representative of the whole human race, they being his natural offspring, he involved all of them in the same ruined state with himself, and they are partakers of and exposed to the miseries which sprang from his disobedience.

5. We believe that it is utterly out of the power of man as fallen creature to keep the law of God perfectly, or to truly repent of his sins, or to believe in Christ, except he be drawn by the Holy Ghost.

6. We believe that in God's own appointed time and way the elect will be called, justified, pardoned and sanctified and that it is impossible that they utterly refuse the call, but shall be willing by divine grace to receive mercy.

7. We believe that justification in the sight of God only by the imputed righteousness of Jesus Christ, received and appointed by faith.

8. We believe that God's elect will be converted and born again by the effectual working of the holy spirit.

9. We believe that those that are called by grace and born again persevere in holiness and never fall finally away.

10. We believe it is the duty incumbent on all God's people to religiously, not in the old covenant way of seeking life and the favor of the Lord by it, but only as a duty from the principle of love.

11. We believe in baptism and the Lords Supper are gospel ordinances, both belonging to the converted as true believers.

12. We believe every church is independent in matters of discipline, and that Association councils and conferences of ministers, or churches, are not to impose on the church the keeping, holding or maintaining any principle of practice contrary to the church judgment.

13. We believe in the general resurrection of the dead, both of the just and the unjust, and the final judgment.

14. We believe the punishment of the wicked is everlasting and the joys of the righteous eternal.

15. We believe that no minister has the right to administer the ordinances unless he is called and comes under the imposition of hands by the presbytery.

16. Lastly, we believe that for the mutual comfort, union and satisfaction of the several churches of the aforesaid faith and order, we ought to meet in an Association capacity wherein each church ought to be represented by the messengers to advise each other in conference.

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